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SUBJECT: US-EC WINE CONSULTATIONS,JULY 26-27

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1. EC COMMISSIO OFFICIAL TULLY (DG I) INFORMS US THAT THE COMMISSION ACCEPTS THE AGENDA POINTS PROPOSED BY THE UNITED STATES (REFTEL) FOR THE BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ON WINE JULY 26-27. HE SAID THAT THE EC WOULD ALSO LIKE TO INCLUDE ON THE AGENDA THE STATUS OF U.S. LABELING REQUIREMENTS ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. THE COMMISSION IS AWARE THAT THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATIN HAS WGNOUNCED POSTPONEMENT OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPLICATION OF U.S. LABELING STANDARDS UNTIL JANUARY 1978. IT ALSO KNOWS THAT THERE IS A CONGRESSIONAL BILL PENDING THAT WOULD TRANSFER FDA AUTHORITY ON ALCOHOLIC PRODUCTS TO THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL,TOBACCO AND FIREARMS.

2. EC COMMISSION OFFICIAL REICHARDT (DG VI) WILL SERVE AS COMMUNITY EXPERT ON THE WINE CONSULTATIONS AND EITHER LENG OR DE LANGE OF THE EC DELEGATION IN WASHINGTON WILL CHAIR THE EC SIDE.

3. COPIES OF COMMISSION DETAILED RULES ON LABELING HAVE BEEN UNCLASSIFIED

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